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decision. The Department may refuse to confirm or deny the existence or nonexistence of requested information whenever the fact of its existence or nonexistence is itself classified under E.O. 12958.

(g) Right of final appeal. The requester has the right to appeal a final Department decision or a failure to provide a determination on an appeal within the allotted time to the ISCAP for those appeals dealing with NSI. In cases where NSI documents also contain RD and FRD, the RD and FRD portions of the document shall be deleted prior to forwarding the NSI and unclassified portions to the ISCAP for review.

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Subpart A—General

§ 1046.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to set forth Department of Energy, hereinafter "DOE," security policies and pro-

cedures regarding the physical protection of security interests.

§ 1046.2 Scope.

This part applies to DOE contractor employees at Government-owned facilities, whether or not privately operated.

§ 1046.3 Definitions.

For the purposes of this part:

Contractor. The term "contractor" includes subcontractors at all tiers.

Defensive combative personnel. Security police officers other than offensive combative personnel.

Designated physician. An occupational medical physician who is recommended by the designated management supervisory official of the local DOE field office and authorized by the Director, Office of Health and Safety, to determine the medical and physical condition of protective force personnel. When an occupational medical physician is not available, physicians who are not board-certified in occupational medicine may be recommended and authorized by the Director as designated physicians for the purpose of this part. Designated physicians need not be employed full-time, but contractually shall be responsible to DOE for performance of the medical functions required by this part.

Facility. An educational institution, manufacturing plant, laboratory, office building or other area utilized by the DOE or its contractors or subcontractors for the performance of work under DOE jurisdiction.

Field organization. Any organizational component of the DOE located outside the Washington, DC metropolitan area.

Guard. Also referred to as Security Officer, an unarmed individual who is employed for, and charged with, the protection of classified matter or Government property.

Medical condition. General health, physical condition, and emotional and mental stability.

Offensive combative personnel. Security police officers assigned to response force duties including pursuit and assault functions.

Protective force personnel. Security officers and security police officers assigned to protective details, who are

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employed to protect DOE security interests.

Requalification date. The date of expiration of current qualification at which demonstration of knowledge, skills and/or abilities is required to maintain specific job status.

Security inspector. Also referred to as Security Police Officer, a uniformed person who is authorized under section 161.k of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, or other statutory authority, to carry firearms and to make arrests without warrants and who is employed for, and charged with, the protection of classified matter, special nuclear material, or other Government property.

Security police officer. An armed member of the protective force, previously referred to as a "security inspector."

Special response team member. A security police officer who has been selected to be part of a unit specially trained to provide additional protection capability.

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$\S 1046.4$ Use of number and gender.

As used in this part, words in the singular also include the plural and words in the masculine also include the feminine and vice versa, as the use may require.

Subpart B—Protective Force Personnel

§ 1046.11 Medical and physical fitness qualification standards.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section DOE contractors shall not employ as protective force personnel any individual who fails to meet the applicable medical and physical fitness qualification standards as set forth in appendix A, to this subpart, "Medical and Physical Fitness Qualification Standards."

(b)(1) Incumbent security police officers shall meet the applicable physical fitness qualification standards.

- (2) Current waivers to the medical qualification standards remain in effect and future waivers are permitted.
- (c) Each security police officer shall meet the applicable medical and phys-

ical fitness qualification standards every twelve months after the initial qualification. Each security officer shall meet the applicable medical standards every two (2) years after the initial qualification.

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§ 1046.12 Physical fitness training program.

(a) Each incumbent security police officer, who has not met the applicable physical fitness qualification standard, shall participate in a DOE approved physical fitness training program. Once an incumbent security police officer has begun a physical fitness training program, it must be completed before the security police officer may take the applicable physical fitness qualification standards test. Once a physical fitness training program is completed, an incumbent security police officer has thirty (30) days to meet the applicable physical fitness qualification standards.

(b) An incumbent security police officer who fails to qualify within thirty (30) days of completing a physical fitness training program shall participate in an additional training program. Upon completion of the additional physical fitness training program the security police officer has thirty (30) days to meet the applicable physical fitness qualification standard. No additional training or time extension to meet the standards is permitted except for unusual circumstances as set forth in appendix A to this subpart, paragraph G(2).

(c) A security police officer who fails to requalify within thirty (30) days after his or her yearly anniversary date of the initial qualification shall participate in a physical fitness training program. Security police officers have a maximum of six (6) months from the anniversary date to requalify.

(d) After his or her initial qualification, each incumbent security police officer shall participate in a DOE-approved physical fitness training program on a continuing basis. This training is for the purpose of ensuring that security police officers maintain the requisite physical fitness for effective